

# **Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority of Louisiana**

# Office of Coastal Protection and Restoration

# **2011 Annual Inspection Report**

# NAOMI OUTFALL MANAGEMENT

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#### I. Introduction

The Naomi Outfall Management Project (State Project No. BA-03c) is located south of Lafitte, Louisiana. Although the project features are located entirely in Jefferson Parish, the project outfall area encompasses 27,135 acres in Jefferson and Plaquemines Parishes. More specifically, project features are located on two streams – Goose Bayou Canal and Bayou Dupont – which connect the Barataria Bay Waterway to the Pen (Appendix A).

### II. Project Description and History

In February, 1993, the Naomi Siphon, located on the west bank of the Mississippi River, went into operation and has delivered an average of 997 cfs of fresh river water (when operating) into the marshes and streams east of the Pen. Much of this fresh water eventually exits the project area via Goose Bayou Canal and Bayou Dupont Canal which connect the Pen with the Barataria Waterway. During periods of high tide, reverse flow occurs and high-salinity water from the Barataria Waterway enters the Pen via the two subject canals. So, the two canals provide a natural avenue for loss of fresh river water from the project area and intrusion of high-salinity water into the project area.

The present project, which consists of fixed crest weirs with boat bays, restricts the hydrologic connections between the Pen and the Barataria Waterway. This restriction holds diverted water and nutrients in the project area, while restricting the high salinity waters from the Barataria Waterway. The weirs moderate or dampen the interchange of water into and out of the Pen through Goose Bayou Canal and Bayou Dupont Canal. Thus, retention of sediment-rich fresh siphon water in the outfall area is maximized, and intrusion of high-salinity water is minimized.

Project construction began on June 1, 2002, and was completed on July 15, 2002. Project life is estimated to be 20 years. Annual project inspections are planned.

On June 20, 2006, a contract was awarded to place two warning buoys in places where warning signs were damaged and to replace 5 navigation lights. This project was completed on October 4, 2006.

The principal project features include:

#### 1. One stone weir at Goose Bayou Canal

- a. Total length of weir = 458 ft.
- b. Bottom width of boat bay = 30 ft.
- c. Boat bay bottom elevation= -5 ft. (NAVD 88)
- d. Weir crest = +1 ft. (NAVD 88)
- e. Rock placed directly on geotextile
- f. Rock rip rap = 3.967 tons
- g. Geotextile = 2,851 yards

h. Rock conforms to Rock Type 1 of Material Specification 523 with a gradation of:

<b>Percent Lighter Than</b>	Rock Unit Weight
100	700 lbs
50-100	300 lbs
15-50	150 lbs
0-15	45 lbs

- i. Four (4) 4-piling clusters with navigation aid lights and warning signs
- j. Six (6) single pilings with warning signs
- k. Thirty-two buoys and associated stainless steel cable

### 2. One stone weir at **Bayou Dupont Canal**

- a. Total length of weir = 302 ft.
- b. Bottom width of boat bay = 30 ft.
- c. Boat bay bottom elevation = -5 ft. (NAVD 88)
- d. Weir crest +1 ft. (NAVD 88)
- e. Rock placed directly on geotextile
- f. Rock rip rap = 8,505 tons
- g. Geotextile = 3,374 yards
- h. Rock conforms to Rock Type 1 of Material Specification 523 with a graduation of:

Percent Lighter Than	Rock Unit Weight
100	700 lbs
50 -100	300 lbs
15-50	150 lbs
0-15	45 lbs

- i. Four (4) 4-pile clusters with day mark navigation signs and three (3) of the piling clusters have navigation aid lights.
- j. Three (3) single pilings with warning signs (reduced from five (5) in 2006 repair project)
- k. Twenty-two warning buoys with stainless steel cable
- 1. Two (2) marker buoys with warning markings and internal radar reflectors (added during 2006 repair project in place of two (2) single pilings with warning signs).

### III. Inspection Purpose and Procedures

The purpose of the annual inspection of the Naomi Outfall Management Project (BA-03c) is to evaluate the constructed project features to identify any deficiencies and prepare a report detailing the condition of project features and recommended corrective actions needed. Should it be determined that corrective actions are needed, OCPR shall provide, in the report, a detailed cost estimate for engineering, design, supervision, inspection, and construction contingencies, and an assessment of the urgency of such repairs (O&M Plan December 24, 2002). The annual inspection report also contains a summary of maintenance projects and an estimated projected budget for the upcoming three (3) years for operation, maintenance and rehabilitation. The three (3) year projected operation and maintenance budget is shown in Appendix C. A summary of past operation and maintenance projects completed since completion of the Naomi Outfall Management Project are outlined in Section II.

An inspection of the Naomi Outfall Management Project (BA-03c) was held on April 21, 2011, by Barry Richard of OCPR and Quin Kinler and Michael Trusclair of NRCS. Photographs of that inspection are included in Appendix B of this report.

# **IV.** Inspection Results

#### **BAYOU DUPONT CANAL WEIR**

#### Rock Riprap

The structure has been altered to facilitate construction of the South Shore of the Pen (BA-41) Project. Rock has been temporarily removed from the weir and stored within the footprint of the structure (Photo #1). The structure will be replaced as designed at a later date.

#### **Pilings**

There is no noticeable damage to the existing pilings.

#### Warning Signs and Day Board Navigation Signs

All signs are in good condition.

#### **Navigation Aid Lights**

Two of the navigation aids have been removed to facilitate construction of the South Shore of the Pen (BA-41) Project. These will be replaced at a later date. There is a contract in place to handle the maintenance and repair of all navigation lights.

#### **Regulatory Marker Buoys**

Both buoys have gone missing.

#### **GOOSE BAYOU CANAL WEIR**

#### Rock Riprap

Based on a survey the structure has settled an average of 2 feet since construction. This is evident by the structure rarely above the water line.

#### **Pilings**

All pilings visually appeared to be damage-free and in good condition. Some of the reflective tape is missing or falling off.

#### **Warning Signs and Day Board Navigation Signs**

Some of the signs are losing their lettering due to weathering (Photo #2). The orange warning buoys on the north side came loose from the temporary repair and were repaired again before the inspection.

#### **Navigation Aid Lights**

There was no damage to any navigation lights. There is a contract in place to handle the maintenance and repair of all navigation lights.

#### V. Conclusions

Overall, the Naomi Outfall Management project is functioning properly and is in fair condition. Vandalism to the navigational aids continues to be a concern. The South Shore of the Pen Shoreline Protection Project (BA-41) was under construction at the time of the inspection and the Bayou Dupont Structure was altered to facilitate construction access. It has been requested that the structure remain like it is through construction of two more projects in the area which are to be constructed in the near future.

#### VI. Recommendations

No recommendations.

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## **Immediate Repairs**

• Bayou Dupont and Goose Bayou repair needs listed in Section IV.

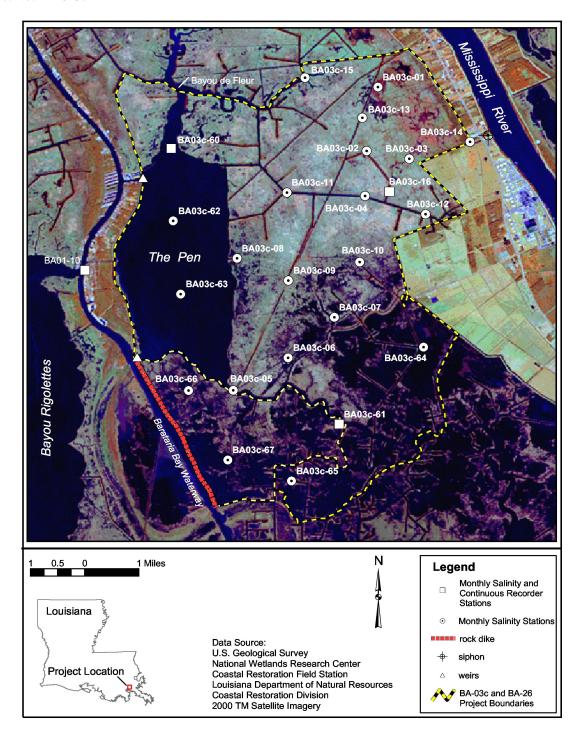
## **Programmed Maintenance**

• A contract has been awarded to Automatic Power for regular maintenance of the lights.

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# Appendix A

**Project Features Map** 



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Appendix B

**Photographs** 



**Photo #1 – Bayou Dupont Canal Weir.** Looking out from the Pen.



**Photo #2 – Goose Bayou Canal Weir.** Looking West.

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# **Appendix C**

**Three Year Budget Projection** 

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#### Naomi Outfall Management Project (BA-03c)

Federal Sponsor: NRCS

Construction Completed: 8/2002

PPL 5

Current Approved O&M Budget	Year 0	Year - 1	Year -2	Year -3	Year -4	Year -5	Year -6	Year -7	Year -8	Year -9	Year -10	Year -11	Year -12	Year -13	Year -14	Year -15	Year -16	Year - 17	Year -18	Year -19	Project Life	Currently
June 2009	FY03	FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	Budget	Funded
State O&M	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$488,980	\$292,922
Corps Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal S&A	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total																					\$488,980	\$292,922

												Remaining	Current 3 year
Projected O&M Expenditures												Project Life	Request
Maintenance Inspection	\$3,429	\$3,518	\$3,610	\$3,703	\$3,800	\$3,899	\$4,000	\$4,104	\$4,211	\$4,320	\$4,432	\$43,026	\$0
General Maintenance												\$0	\$0
Surveys												\$0	\$0
Sign Replacement	\$7,000							\$7,000				\$14,000	\$0
Federal S&A				\$1,749								\$1,749	\$0
Maintenance/Rehabilitation												\$0	\$0
E&D				\$7,454								\$7,454	\$0
Construction				\$186,341								\$186,341	\$0
Construction Oversight				\$37,268								\$37,268	\$0
Total Notes:	\$10,429	\$3,518	\$3,610	\$236,515	\$3,800	\$3,899	\$4,000	\$11,104	\$4,211	\$4,320	\$4,432	\$289,837	\$0
The year-by-year figures for the current Approved O&M Budget are based on the BEAST approved at the 6/3/09 Task Force meeting. This spreadsheet was a correction to the BEAST submitted for theFall 2008 funding requests.													
08	Current O&M Budget less COE Admin			\$488,980						get less COE /	Admin		\$488,980
Sta	Remaining Available O&M Budget		\$292,922 Total Projected Project Life Budget						\$485,896				
Federal Sponsor MIPRs (if applicable) \$0	Incremental Funding Request Amount FY12-FY14			-\$3,084				Project Life	Budget Req	uest Amount			-\$3,084
Total Estimated O&M Expenditures (as of April 2010) \$196,058													

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# Appendix D

**Field Inspection Form** 

#### FIELD INSPECTION CHECK SHEET

Project No. / Name:			Date of Inspection:	4/21/20	<u>11</u>	Time:	9:30					
Structure No. Bayou Dupont Canal					Inspector(s):		Ric	hard, Kinler, Trusclair				
Structure Description:	S	tone Weir			Water Level:	Inside:	N/A	Outside:	0.80'			
Type of Inspection:		Annual			Weather Conditions:		Pa	artly Cloudy, Moderate W	ind			
Item	Condition	Physical Damage	Corrosion	Photo #	to # Observations and Remarks							
Rock Riprap	Good	None	N/A	#1		Structure	altered for co	nstruction of BA-41				
Creosote Piling	Fair	None	None	#1								
Warning Signs and Day Board Navigation Signs	Fair	None	None	#1								
Navigation Aid Lights	Fair	None	None	#1		Structure	altered for co	nstruction of BA-41				
Warning Buoys	Poor	See observations	None	#1								
Vandalism	N/A	N/A	N/A									

#### FIELD INSPECTION CHECK SHEET

Project No. / Name:	Naomi Ou	ıtfall Management			Date of Inspection:	4/21/20	<u>11</u>	Time:	9:30
Structure No. Goose Bayou Canal					Inspector(s):		F	Richard, Kinler, Trusclair	
Structure Description:	S	tone Weir			Water Level:	Inside:	N/A	Outside:	0.80'
Type of Inspection:		Annual			Weather Conditions:			Partly Cloudy, Moderate	Wind
Item	Condition	Physical Damage	Corrosion	Photo #		Ob	servations	and Remarks	
Rock Riprap	Good	None	N/A			Possik	ole settleme	nt, survey needed.	
Creosote Piling	Good	None	None	#2					
Warning Signs and Day Board Navigation Signs	Good	None	None	#2	Weathering of	flettering, s	ome reflecti	ve tape missing. Continu	e to observe.
Navigation Aid Lights	Good	None	None	#2					
Warning Buoys	Good	None	None	#2				pair holding for now. epair needed.	
Vandalism	N/A	N/A	N/A						